

Corporation of the Town of Hawkesbury

Recommendation to Council

N° : 2022_REC_56

File N°:

Date of meeting: August 22, 2022

Subject: Automatic Aid and Mutual Aid Agreement with Township of East Hawkesbury

Recommendation

Whereas a Fire Master Plan was developed by the firm Pomax, and;

Whereas the Fire Safety Master Plan was submitted to Council and accepted on April 12, 2021, and;

Whereas recommendation #17 of the status report is to engage in discussion with the fire departments of the region with regards to sharing resources, first response vehicles, and entering into partnerships to buy equipment and;

Whereas a presentation was made to the Committee of the Whole on March 22, 2022, regarding entering into an automatic aid and mutual aid agreement with Township of East Hawkesbury and many other municipalities, and;

Whereas the Town of Hawkesbury already has a mutual aid agreement dated from 1995 and it's time to modernize this agreement to reflect today's day, and;

Whereas it is in the best interest of the Corporation of the Town of Hawkesbury to enter into such an agreement.

Be it resolved to authorize the mayor and the clerk to enter into an automatic aid and mutual aid agreement with the Township of East Hawkesbury and that a by-law be enacted for this purpose, as recommended in document 2022_REC_56.

Explanation, history, context

The Municipal Council mandated Pomax to develop a Fire Safety Master Plan. The Fire Master Plan was presented and submitted to the Council on April 12, 2021, and was accepted during the same meeting.

On February 28, 2022, a status report was presented to Council. One of the recommendations of the Fire Master Plan developed by Pomax is to engage in discussions regarding sharing existing fire safety resources.

The implementation of this recommendation requires entering into an automatic aid and mutual aid agreement in case of fire.

It would be advantageous for the Town of Hawkesbury to enter into such an agreement with the Township of East Hawkesbury. Moreover, other agreements should be signed in the near future with other surrounding municipalities.

Options/alternatives

1.

Impact on budget

No impact on the budget, already included in 2022 budget. A large portion of the cost will be recovered through the agreement with Fire Marque Inc. (By-law N° 37-2016)

Relevant studies

Fire Master Plan

Supporting document

- Intermunicipal agreement establishing the provision of automatic aid and mutual aid related to fire

Communication plan

N/A

Department(s) involved

- Fire and Clerk

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Comments of the Chief Administrative Officer

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Report Approval Details

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